TITLE: METHOD OF MANAGING A PLURALITY OF ELECTRONIC
MICROCIRCUIT CHIP READERS AND EQUIPMENTS FOR IMPLEMENTING SAID
METHOD

ABSTRACT

The method for coordinated management of a plurality (12) of contactless radio-frequency readers (12a, 12b, 12c) of chips incorporating an electronic microcircuit (16), of the type with a transmit/receive cycle Tx/Rx comprising the transmission Tx of a command from the reader to the microcircuits followed by the receipt Rx of the response of the microcircuits (16) to the reader (12a, 12b, 12c), comprises the synchronization of the cycles Tx/Rx so as to group the transmit operations Tx in a first time interval and to group the receive operations Rx in a second time interval with no overlap between the two time intervals. The readers (12a, 12b, 12c) are associated with a synchronization circuit (20) including a microprocessor-based processing circuit (22) and an interface circuit (24) connected to each of the readers (12a, 12b, 12c), in particular to deliver thereto clock signals synchronized by the microprocessor circuit (22).

The abstract refers to figure 1.